

[Docket No. FR-7056-N-53]

60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Housing Counseling Federal Advisory Committee (HCFAC); Forms: HUD-90005, Application for Membership on the Housing Counseling Federal Advisory Committee and OGE-450, Confidential Financial Disclosure Report; OMB Control No.: 2502-0606

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing – Federal Housing Commissioner, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: HUD is seeking approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for the information collection described below. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, HUD is requesting comment from all interested parties on the proposed collection of information. The purpose of this notice is to allow for 60 days of public comment.

DATES: Comments Due Date: [Insert date that is 60 days after the date of publication in the Federal Register.]

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Colette Pollard, Reports Management Officer, REE, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW, Room 4176, Washington, DC 20410-5000; telephone 202-402-3400 (this is not a toll-free number) or email at Colette.Pollard@hud.gov for a copy of the proposed forms or other available information. HUD welcomes and is prepared to receive calls from individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing, as well as individuals with speech or communication disabilities. To learn more about how to make an accessible telephone call, please visit: https://www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/telecommunications-relay-service-trs.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Colette Pollard, Reports Management

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DC 20410; e-mail Colette Pollard at Colette.Pollard@hud.gov or telephone 202-402-3400. This is not a toll-free number. HUD welcomes and is prepared to receive calls from individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing, as well as individuals with speech or communication disabilities. To learn more about how to make an accessible telephone call, please visit:

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Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Ms. Pollard.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice informs the public that HUD is seeking approval from OMB for the information collection described in Section A.

A. Overview of Information Collection

<u>Title of Information Collection</u>: Housing Counseling Federal Advisory Committee (HCFAC).

OMB Approval Number: 2502-0606.

OMB Expiration Date: September 30, 2023.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Form Number: HUD-90005; OGE-450.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: The Expand and Preserve Homeownership through Counseling Act (Pub. L. No. 111–203, 1441, July 21, 2010) (Act), added 42 U.S.C. 3533(g)(4) to direct the Office of Housing Counseling to form a Housing Counseling Federal Advisory Committee (HCFAC) with members equally representing the mortgage and real estate industries, including housing consumers and housing counseling agencies certified by the Secretary. The HUD-90005 Application for Membership on the Housing Counseling Federal Advisory Committee will collect information for individuals in those groups who want to serve on the HCFAC. The information will be used by HUD's Office of Housing Counseling to review and recommend to the Secretary for appointment the members of the Housing Counseling Federal Advisory Committee to ensure the members meet the

requirements of the Expand and Preserve Homeownership through Counseling Act and of the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

Additionally, HCFAC members must adhere to the conflict-of-interest rules applicable to Special Government Employees as such employees are defined in 18 U.S.C. 202(a). The rules include relevant provisions in 18 U.S.C. related to criminal activity, Standards of Ethical Conduct for Employees of the Executive Branch (5 CFR part 2635) and Executive Order 12674 (as modified by Executive Order 12731). Therefore, applicants will be required to submit to preappointment screenings relating to identity of interest and financial interests that HUD might require. If selected, HCFAC members will also be asked to complete OGE-450 Confidential Financial Disclosure Report (OGE-450).

Respondents: Individuals or households; Business or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 162.

Estimated Number of Responses: 162.

Frequency of Response: Once.

Average Hours per Response: 1.61.

Total Estimated Burden: 261 hours.

B. Solicitation of Public Comment

This notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected parties concerning the collection of information described in Section A on the following:

- (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- (2) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information;
 - (3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to

respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms

of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

HUD encourages interested parties to submit comment in response to these questions.

C. Authority: Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35.

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